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NEWTON RAY PARVIN,
DEPUTY GRAND SECRETARY,
1876.

NEWTON RAY PARVIN.

Newton Ray Parvin was born in Muscatine, on the early morn of July 5th, 1851. Nine years later his parents removed to Iowa City, where, on his father becoming a professor in the State University, its librarian, and one may say its secretary (his living rooms being what are now the draughting-rooms of the Civil Engineering Department), the boy acquired the inwrought love for books and literature that has so distinctly marked his after life and shaped his career.

He was made a Mason in Iowa City Lodge, No. 4, May 5th, 1874, and was for a number of years Secretary of the lodge (as he was later of the Chapter and Commandery); was exalted in Iowa City Royal Arch Chapter, No. 2, in June (18th), 1877; and knighted in Palestine Commandery, No. 2, August 15th, of the same year. He still retains his membership in Blue Lodge and Chapter at Iowa City, but transferred that of Commandery to Cedar Rapids upon his removal to that city on the completion of the library building in the spring of 1885, where at the present time (1896) he is Eminent Commander of Apollo, No. 26. As a Knight Templar (assisting his father, then Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment of the United States), he attended the Triennial Conclaves at Cleveland, 1877; Chicago, 1880; St. Louis, 1886. And latar at Denver, 1892, as a visitor, making many friends.

He was inducted in Scottish Rite Masonry just preceding the removal of the library to Cedar Rapids, by order of the Grand Commander (Pike), that he might become custodian of important papers relating to the rite. The "Knight Commander Court of Honor," pre-requisite to receiving the 33° and last degree, followed, October 20th, 1886.

For his valued services to both Ancient Craft and Scottish Rite Masonry in Iowa and the United States, of which none was better acquainted than his friend, General Pike, he was, (without his knowledge, and in the absence of his father, the Inspector General of Iowa, who was not present at that session of the Supreme Council), nominated by the Grand Commander and elected to receive the honorary degree of (33°) Inspector General of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, October 4th, 1890. Later the Supreme Council voted unanimously that it be given an *honorarium*, when he was "crowned" by his father (for the Supreme Council) May 17th, 1895. Excepting Father Leffingwell (William), long the chief officer of the "Grand Consistory of Iowa," young Parvin is the only Iowa Mason who has been thus honored by his distinguished brethren of the United States.

His long service as Deputy Grand Secretary has given him a wide acquaintance with the body of Iowa Masonry, and a knowledge of its history and work possessed by few indeed. He literally has the splendid library and museum at his fingers' ends, for he can, on the request for any volume or article, go directly to it. He is a veritable living index to the splendid collections, and those who have had occasion to use the library can testify to his exact knowledge of its contents, a knowledge that is far and away beyond that of shelf and case, for it is critical, based on the value and usefulness to the inquirer of the thing sought, and helpful in that it is freely at the service of every one seeking information from the collections. This splendid quality of helpfulness has given him wide acquaintance, not only among the Masons and scholars of Iowa, but more than that, of the world. Long association with this library, nearly all of it having in one form or another passed through his hands, has wrought into him a scholarly and introspective preoccupation. The most that he can possibly do for his visitors and guests is, to his thought, the smallest measure of his duty as guardian of so "rich and rare" library treasures. His patience, courtesy, but above all, his exact and unfailing knowledge of the contents of the library building, have made him, as before termed, "a living index," made him friends warm and true in every part of Iowa, in every state, and even in foreign countries.

The care and use of this library is the inheritance of his father's enthusiasm and passion for books that *are* books and for history that preserves, illustrates, and teaches Masonry and kindred sciences.

Yet, withal, he maintains steadily and unflaggingly his work as Deputy Grand Secretary, and in the discharge of the complex and manifold duties of this important position brings to every task and letter the delicacy that gives information with no suggestion of superior knowledge, the tact that always finds the right word and method and the earnestness that gives even to the smallest things the same care and attention that is given to the greater. He has learned well that famous apothegm—"Perfection is not a little thing, but little things make perfection." He is not only the "assistant" of the Grand Secretary, but in the truest sense is the assistant of every Mason and other searcher after "more light" who enters the grand temple of knowledge the Grand Lodge of Iowa has builded and dedicated to the Truth. He has ever ministered at its shrine with clean hands, has been loyal in his service at its altar, and in his upright manhood and nnsullied integrity honors the ideal and cause he so faithfully serves. While he has not cultivated his boyish taste for rhetoric, and is not a well-known public speaker, as is his father, he is an effective and most entertaining conversationalist, and in that field a forceful speaker; he is a ready and graceful writer, and has performed much literary work of merit in his service in the Grand Secretary's office

At Iowa City, September 19th, 1877, Mr. Parvin was united in marriage with Miss Emma E. Middelton. From that day until her death, a few days less than seventeen years later (September 3d, 1894), their home life was naught but that sweetness, light and beauty that lifts home cares and duties into praise and worship. In society, in church, and in charity, their home was a beautiful center from which radiated an influence that is made only for the noblest and purest ideals of life. What father and mother made that home it remains to-day in its daughters (two) and its son, whose lives are a blessing to the father, a tribute of sweet affection to the memory of the mother, a promise of faith and merit in coming years.

So it comes about that in the mid-period of life Mr. Newton R. Parvin is yet young in capacity for work, trained in that best adaptation of effort that works to purpose without loss of time or waste of energy, young in heart and hope, and full of courage, because that he has served masters whose rule is instruction. Said Brougham, "To pass our time in the study of sciences, in learning what others have discovered, in extending the bounds of knowledge, has in all ages been reckoned the most dignified and happy of human occupations." To such effort has Brother Parvin given himself, and with the happiest results. His father is fortunate in having so capable an assistant; and the fraternity in Iowa is fortunate in the loyal service of one who recognizes duty and obligation to be gifts of heart and soul, and not commodities whose work grows in value with each year because it gathers breadth and strength from that which has been done.

Brother William J. Duncan in the New York Dispatch, says, under the head of "Who Should Be Masons," that a man should be able to support himself and family and lay aside something for a rainy day before he joins a Masonic lodge, and that "good men only should be Masons."

FATHER LAURANCE.

HE IS FITTINGLY HONORED BY CRESCENT LODGE NO. 25 A. F. & A. M.—THE SIXTY-FOURTH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS MEMBERSHIP IN THE ORDER APPROPRIATELY CELEBRATED—A NUMBER OF SHORT SPEECHES MADE.

Alexander Laurance, the oldest Mason in the state of Iowa and one of the oldest in the United States, was fittingly honored on the evening of August 14th, 1896, by Crescent Lodge No. 25, A. F. & A. M. It was the sixty-fourth anniversary of the date when Mr. Laurance became a Mason, and following out a custom established a few years ago, a special meeting was held to celebrate the event. There was an unusually large attendance and the meeting was one long to be remembered. Short addresses were made by Hon. John T. Hamilton, Prof. T. S. Parvin, Rev. John W. Geiger and others. Mr. Laurance replied to the many words in a most feeling manner.

Crescent Lodge No. 25, A. F. & A. M., issued a neat souvenir for the occasion containing the following appropriate and beautiful sentiments:

—"Time has laid his hand
Upon his head gently, not smiting it,
But as a harper lays his open palm
Upon his harp to check the vibration."

Again the members of Crescent Lodge and the brethren who are their guests, meet to show respect and do honor to one whose years in the fraternity stretch almost to the limit of man's allotted span. Again and again have we marked these anniversaries until it has grown into a pleasurable and pleasure-giving custom. Its recurrence should be prized most highly, for that its further continuance from year to year grows more uncertain.

The memory of this, our venerable brother, goes back to a transitional period of the order, when the operative craftsmen of his native land met within tyled walls with their speculative brethren. There is much to learn from as there is much to love in a Masonic life so long and so well lived.

As shall come to each to stand amid the lengthened shadows cast toward the east; when it shall be as it is with this our brother, that the path of the dead years stretch long and indistinct behind, and just beyond the murmurings of waters infinite shall unite to rest your wearied feet, may each thus hold cheer counsel with life:

—"We have long been together,
Through pleasant and through cloudy weather,
'Tis hard to part when friends are dear,
Perhaps 'twill cost a sigh, a tear;
Then steal away, give little warning,
Choose thine own time,
Say not 'Good Night,'' but in some brighter clime,
Bid me 'Good Morning.'"

Alexander Laurance was born September 30, 1811, in the parish of New Deer, county of Aberdeen, Scotland.

He became a member of Fraser lodge, A. F. & A. M., at Strichan, Aberdeenshire, on August 14, 1832. This lodge was organized as an operative body, and later became mixed, or a combination of operative and speculative. Other similar lodges then existed and so continued for some time in Scotland. These all kept possession of and worked the Royal Arch as pertaining to and formed a part of the Master Mason's degree.

Bro. Laurance emigrated to America in 1833, at a time when Morganism and its absurdities were rampant, and throughout that trying time preserved his love and loyalty to the principles and tenets of Free Masonry. He did not avail himself of the privilege of affiliation until in Cedar Rapids, where under the mastership of A. R. West he was duly admitted as a member of Crescent Lodge, of which body he has since been a most honored member.

AK-SAR-BEN'S KNIGHTS.

We are one of them now, having subscribed to the rules, laws and impressive usages of the Order. *And we never will forget the grip.* The auspicious occassion was on the evening of August 31, (DSOE) 1896.

King Ak-Sarben, the First, Reigned over the destinies of the Order until one year ago, when he called in his favorite son AH-AMO, and informed him that it was his intention in one year to abdicate in his favor, and that he should, on assuming his father's throne, take the name of Ak-Sar-Ben, the Second. Now, young AH-AMO is no spring chicken, so he set his friends to work months before the great event was to come off to prepare for the proper celebration of his coronation. The leading business men, Venerable Shieks, young and frisky Pasha's, high toned Bey's and one Dervish, laid aside their usual avocations and aided in the great Fandango!

Every tribe in Old Ak-Sar-Ben's gladly taxed themselves to insure the success of the great parade that should please the friends and astonish everybody who might be so fortunate as to get an invitation. Immense and beautiful floats, each representing some lesson, past or to come in the reign of this great family. As the Dervish from the Court of A-WOI, we gave close attention to the details as they were related to us by one of the powerful young Princes of the Realm. Time would fail me to tell all that Prince Rag-De-Nel-La showed us that day. If in the good will of Allah we can't go to Mecca to perform our Vows, then let our resting place be with the tribes of Ak-Sar-Ben, and in the care of the Princes Sz-Re-Tep, Nel-La, D-Nul and the others who tickled our ears with Music, our palate with savory viands and our palms with the grip of SAMSON, the ONLY.

CHEAT, WRONG OR DEFRAUD.

These three words stand forth in the covenant of the Mystic Brotherhood. Upon the first and last, most men place fair and due importance, but for the central word too little consideration is had. It is a sad commentary upon the voluntary fealty men profess to give when from the merest whim one Brother will turn against another, and thereafter, use all his meanest powers to annoy and wrong him. We know of cases where as a result of debate and opinion carried on in open lodge, and in no way connected with any outside relations, Brothers who before were friends have used every power of manipulation to destroy the usefulness of another, and defraud him of his livelihood, as well as rob him of his Masonic wages of Corn and Wine and Oil. True, they will have their reward, but it is a travesty upon the name of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth to be forced to placate such men in Masonry.

THE GRAND LODGE SYSTEM.

Of one thing there is ample evidence to credit the *revival* or *reversion* of 1717 and that is the present "Grand Lodge" system. Previous to that time the occasional or yearly gatherings of the brotherhood were "General Assemblies," at which all the members of the craft within certain territorial limits were eligible to attend, whatever their rank or title.

THE COUNCIL DEGREES—COST OF RUNNING.

It may be of some interest to know a little about the probable cost of running the Grand Council R. & S. M. if it should be separated from the Grand Chapter of Iowa. We can best arrive at knowledge of the expense by giving the amount it is costing other jurisdictions as well as to give the expense the bodies of Iowa were put to when the consolidation took place. Our neighbors of Illinois in 1893, had receipts $859.00 and disbursments $703.43, which included the printing of 500 copies of the Proceedings. Their membership was 2,-412.

Missouri 1895, receipts $497.50, disbursements, $343.90; membership 687.

Louisiana, 1895, receipts $117.25; disbursements, $39.25; membership, 194.

Iowa, for 1877, had 437 members in 13 councils, it had lost councils by surrender of Charter 1, withdrawn 5, and 3 councils formed under Minnesota.

The final year, 1878, the income was $280.00 and the outlay $203.90. There is no membership report, but we can imagine the state of things from the Grand Recorder's report. He says: "The action had last year looking toward disbandment has had the effect, as the same action had some years since, of *greatly paralyzing council work.*" It can easily be seen that the expense of management has not been great, and that in states where the membership is now much greater in number than Iowa was at closing up, the cost is not proportionately higher than when Iowa's Grand Council made the mistake of closing the Secret Vault.

Just a word of inquiry, how far has the Grand Chapter lived up to the plan of consolidation even in the very first paragraph —"Each Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in this jurisdiction *shall open* a council of Royal and Select Master Masons and confer the degrees of Royal Master and Select Master subordinate to the degree of Royal Arch Mason." We have attended two meetings in two different chapters, in ten years, in which the degrees were conferred. The one was when we urgently asked for our rights and got the degrees, the other was when we urgently asked for the same for a companion and then had to do the work for the H. P. to get it through, he not being a R. or S. M. We do not want to be misunderstood, we have no axes to grind, but being proud of Masonry in all its parts, we ask, does it pay to be, *as we now are*, without standing as Royal and Select Masters and to have our representatives at Baltimore next year compelled to stay out of the General Grand Council, because Iowa is not in it? Rather, let us get in line and, if need be, retrench somewhere else than to miss our share of Masonic honor.

Of the plans for a cheap annual Grand Council meeting we have written before, it can be done in connection with the Grand Chapter, or better still, the Grand Commandery, and ought to have its own officers separate from either of the other bodies. Those are our sentiments.

OUR BOOK TABLE.

PROCEEDINGS of the Illinois Council of Deliberation A. A. S. R., held at Chicago, June 18, 1896.

A fine half-tone portrait of Gen. John Corson Smith, 33°, Deputy for Illinois adorns the front while that of Alfred Russel, 33°, Grand Treasurer, The Official Jewel, for P. M. W. and P. M. and the officers of Gourgas Chapter R. C, for 1895, ornament the inner pages.

Contents of local and general interest received from Illustrious brother, G. W. Barnard.

SEREAL CATALOGUE, of the Library of Oriental Consistory, Chicago, Ill., Part IV, No's. 301 to 399, by the same.

TABLEAU of members of Oriental Consistory S. P. R. S., and co-ordinant bodies, Valley of Chicago, June 30, 1896, by the same.

IOWA SEMI-CENTENNIAL.

BURLINGTON, IOWA, OCTOBER 1ST TO 8TH, 1896.

It will be of interest to people of this locality to know in what place at Burlington the State Semi-Centennial Celebration will be held. The outdoor events will take place in a newly opened park of ninety acres, covering a tract of natural woodland. This tract includes the brow of a high and steep bluff overlooking the grand rolling Mississippi and miles upon miles of the picturesquely wooded lowlands of Illinois. The events of an assembly character will be held in the Coliseum, a permanent structure now being built by the citizens of Burlington on land immediately adjoining the park. This building will have a seating capacity of nearly 10,000 people; in length it is 180 feet, in width 150 feet, and height 60 feet. It will cost about $13,000 and is intended for musical festivals and entertainments of like character, conventions, etc., after the celebration in October. The Mississippi river will be utilized for brilliantly lighted night carnivals, fireworks, etc.

In the September *Midland Monthly*, Des Moines, Col. A. G. Hatry vividly describes the pivotal battles of Franklin and Nashville. Mrs. C. F. McLean tells *The Midland's* readers of Senator Foraker and his charming family, illustrating the paper with latest photographs. Christmas Eve and Christmas morning in Bethlehem and Jerusalem is the inspiring theme of N. Tjernagel. W. S. Moore, author of the "The Famous Charge at Ft. Donelson," discusses Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts at Ames. Frank W. Calkins' "Young Homesteaders" are beinning to talk of books and think of love. The Editorial Department reveals a note of preparation for the October event, the beginning of "Grant's Life in the West," by Col. John W Emerson, of Missouri, a friend and comrade of the general. Much interest is felt in this forthcoming serial. Evidently *The Midland* has made a hit.

THE LODGES.

GRAND LODGES MEET.

Iowa, Oskaloosa, June 1, 1897.

GRAND OFFICERS.

GEO. W. BALL.....GRAND MASTER
Iowa City.
Thos. Lambert.....Senior Grand Warden
Sabula.
Chas. Clapp Clark.....Junior Grand Warden
Burlington.
Jerome Merrill Woodworth.....Grand Treasurer
Marshalltown.
Thodore Sutton Parvin.....Grand Secretary
Cedar Rapids.

APPOINTED.

W. L. Eaton.....Deputy Grand Master
Osage
Newton R. Parvin.....Deputy Grand Secretary
Cedar Rapids.
Rev. P. V. D. Vedder.....Grand Chaplain
Boone.
J. F. Grote.....Seenior Grand Deacon
Crawford.
W. B. Davis.....Junior Grand Deacon
Lewis.
Wm. Lamb.....Grand Marshall
Northwood.
C. A. Hough.....Senior Grand Steward
Red Oak.
J. J. Thompson.....Junior Grand Steward
Beacon.
Theodore Schreiner.....Grand Tyler
Mt. Pleasant.

CUSTODIANS.

C. T Granger, (1899) Prest., Des Moines.
G. B. Van Saun, (1897) Secretary, Cedar Falls.
W. P. Allen, (1901) Dubuque.

COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

L. C. Blanchard.....Oskaloosa
Crom Bowen.....Des Moines
C. W. Neal.....Stuart

TRUSTEES GRAND CHARITY FUND.

E. C. Blackmar.....Term Expires 1897.....Chairman
Burlington.
R. G. Phelps.....Term Expires 1898.....Treasurer
Atlantic.
J. D. Gamble.....Term Expires 1899.....Secretary
Knoxville.

COMMITTE ON FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE.

J. C. W. Coxe, D D.....Washington.

We aim to keep standing the regular appointments of the Grand Custodian, Brother Geo B. Van Saun, and we shall have his corrections each month.

CUSTODIAN'S SCHOOLS.

CEDAR FALLS, Ia., Sept. 4, 1896.

Dear Brother Geiger:

When last I wrote you, I thought notice could be given of some routes for October, but the calls already received, now twenty or over, do not want any schools held until after the fall election, so I am obliged to abide their pleasure.

I have a special call to visit Buffalo Center, Winnebago County, to post up the brethren at that place next week for a new lodge, and from what I know of them, undoubtedly a good account of them will be made in due time.

I trust the Lodges will forward their calls quite generally this month, so that I can arrange routes for the fall and winter, have now fully as many invitations up to the present time, as in the years past, but none particularly for October.

Sorry to learn from the daily papers, that our good Brother Past Grand Master Phelps of Atlantic, was down on a bed of sickness, and pleased at the same time to be informed of his improvement. Surely by best wishes go forth for his complete recovery. More anon next month.

Yours fraternally,
GEO. B. VAN SAUN.
Visiting Custodian.

A PLEASANT PICNIC.

The lodges at North English, South English and Millersburg held a picnic at North English on August 27. The attendance was large and the pleasure of the occasion great. The local lodge at this place is erecting a commodious hall over a store building and six feet purchased from an adjoining lot for entrance way. The size is 24x80 and after necessary apartments leaves a lodge room 23x55.

Will the *Texas Freemason* please take notice that "Bro. Geo. W. Ball" did not retire from the Grand East June 4, 1896. He was re-elected to direct Iowa's Masonic interests for another year. And the last meeting did not pass that law requiring examination in open lodge on the third degree. It is a rule of some years standing.

With the August number of "Tidings from the Craft," Bro. W. B. de Loach retires from, and Bro. Claude E. Sawyer, Grand Master, assumes editorial charge. While sorry to bid the one farewell, we extend fraternal greetings to the other.

Friendship lodge of Southington, Conn , recently celebrated its 100th anniversary.

The Masonic bodies at Sac City are prosperous. The lodge and chapter have work on hand and the Commandery has knighted a number within the last few weeks.

GENERAL MENTION.

The French Masonic bodies are seeking to unite under one general grand body.

At Unionville, and in the neighboring towns, we find that Masonry is prosperous.

"The Orphans Friend," wants a law for North Carolina, prohibiting saloon keepers from the mysteries and benefits of Masonry.

We acknowledge the invitation of the Grand Lodge of Kansas to attend the dedication of the Kansas Masonic Home at Wichita, Sept. 10, 1896.

We are directly informed that the new Temple in this city will not be delayed beyond a few months, and not at all on account of lack of funds, next year will see the completion of the structure.

Masons of Donaldsville, La., have begun work on a temple which will cost $10,000 when completed.

The Masonic Temple company of Atlanta, will soon begin the erection of a temple and office building ten stories high, to cost $200,000.

Kennabec lodge of Hallowell, Me., recently celebrated its 100th anniversary. Its charter bears the signature of Paul Revere, who was grand master of Massachusetts in 1796.

The grand lodge of Nebraska provides that Master Masons who have been in good standing thirty years, and who have reached the age of sixty-five, may be exempted from all lodge dues and the lodge exempted from dues on such members to the grand lodge.

THE ROYAL ARCH.

CONVOCATIONS.

General Grand (U. S.) Baltimore, Md., Oct. 12, 1897.
Iowa Grand, Marshalltown, Oct. 15, 1896.

GRAND OFFICERS.

ELECTED.

L. T. WELD.....GRAND HIGH PRIEST
Nevada.

Max. Beehler.....Deputy Grand High Priest
Manchester.

W. D. Irvine.....Grand King
Sioux City.

W. F. Cleveland.....Grand Scribe
Harlan.

R. F. B. Portman.....Grand Treasurer
Decorah.

Alf. Wingate.....Grand Secretary
Des Moines.

APPOINTED.

JOHN WESTLEY GEIGER.....Grand Chaplain
Marion.

H. H. Barnard.....Grand Captain of the Host
Elkader.

R. J. Crouch.....Grand Principal Sojourner
DeWitt.

W. W. Montgomery.....Grand Royal Arch Captain
Red Oak.

F. M. Thompson.....Grand Master of the Third Vail
Rock Rapids.

F. M. Dance.....Grand Master of the Second Vail
Missouri Valley.

N. T. Hendrix.....Grand Master of the First Vail
Columbus Junction.

Theo. Schreiner.....Grand Guard
Mt. Pleasant.

If all of the four principal officers of the general grand chapter of Royal Arch Masons are absent, then the oldest past general grand officers present, according to rank, shall preside.

There are 1662 Royal Arch Masons in Maryland. Comp. W. H. Shyrock is Grand High Priest and Comp. G. L. McCahan, Grand Secretary.

The grand chapter of Illinois is 46 years old and has jurisdiction over more than 16,000 Royal Arch Masons.

The obligation taken upon becoming a Mason rests with just as binding force upon one who is suspended or expelled, or has of his own accord withdrawn from membership, as upon one who is active and in good standing.

COMMANDERIES.

CONCLAVES.

Iowa Grand Templar Park, July 12, 1897.
Grand Encampment, Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 1898.

SEVENTH DISTRICT (Grand Encampment) Iowa, Missouri and Ohio—Sir Knight Geo. M. Moulton, V. E., Grand Captain General, Chicago, Ill., Representative.

GRAND OFFICERS.

T. R. Ercanbrack.....GRAND COMMANDER
Anamosa.

F. H. Loring.....Deputy Grand Commander
Oskaloosa.

Geo. W. Bever.....Grand Generalissimo
Cedar Rapids.

J. H. Pettibone.....Grand Captain General
Burlington.

John W. Geiger.....Grand Prelate
Marion.

D. M. Brownlee.....Grand Senior Warden
Sioux City.

Alex. Peddie.....Grand Junior Warden
Emmettsburg.

E. B. Shaw.....Grand Treasurer
West Union.

Alf. Wingate.....Grand Recorder
Des Moines.

L. T. Hawk.....Grand Standard Bearer
Dubuque.

W. H. Hart.....Grand Sword Bearer
Sac City.

Wm. Weldon.....Grand Warder
Iowa Falls.

Theodore Shreiner.....Grand Sentinel
Mt. Pleasant.

OUR DEPARTED ONES.

JOHNSON—From Temple Commandery, No. 4, K. T., of Des Moines, comes the information that Sir Knight Oscar Johnson departed this life Aug. 7, 1896. The Commandery acted as an escort to Capital Lodge 110, which had charge of the funeral.

ADAMSON—From Eminent Commander Wm. Franz, and from the Le Mars papers we have the sad tidings of the death of Sir Knight Charles T. Adamson, on Satutday evening, August 29, from typhoid fever. He was a member of all the Masonic bodies in his city and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. Giblem Lodge, 322, had charge of the Masonic ceremonies and Plymouth Commandery acted as an escort.

The Grand Master of Missouri decides that an applicant for affiliation must be a resident of that state.—Right, too.

Bro. James H. Welsh is now Grand Master of Masons in Connecticut and Bro. J. K. Barlow, Grand Secretary.

WASHINGTON HEADQUARTERS.

We notice that some of our exchanges have published that after 1898 the Grand Encampment is to be permanently located in Washington, D. C. We do not understand the reading of Sir Knight Carson's proposition to have been adopted as a whole or in part, but merely "ordered printed with the proceedings." The levying of an assessment of twenty-five cents per member or the payment to the Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment an amount equal to twenty-five cents for each knight returned as a member of their respective commanderies, at the meeting of the Grand Commandery preceding August the first, in each year (to begin August 1, 1895), certainly has no force in it spresent estate. Iowa Grand Commandery took no steps looking to such a fund and until the Grand Encampment adopts the suggestion of Sir Knight Carson, the publication carries with it no weight of authority whatever.

A. A. S. R.

There are Consistorial bodies of this Rite at Cedar Rapids, Clinton, Des Moines and Davenport.

A. A. S. RITE.

From the Valley of Chicago comes the official notice of the death of Vincent Lombard Hurlburt, 33°, at Chicago, July 24, 1896.

By the death of Hon. Wm. A. Hershiser, Grand Commander, Major W. Baylis, Lieut. Grand Commander, of Washington, D. C., becomes the head of the U. S. Supreme Council.

The membership of the Scottish Rite in San Francisco is 210.

The membership of the Scottish Rite in Indianapolis now numbers 1479.

Masons of Newton, Mass., have taken steps to erect a Masonic building.

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THE WHITE LEATHER APRON.

Here's a toast to the Lambskin, more ancient by far
Than the Fleece of pure gold or the eagles of war;
'Tis an emblem of innocence, nobler to wear,
Than the Garter of England or order as rare.

Let the king wear the purple and point in his crown,
Which may fall from his brow when his throne tumbles down;
But the badge of a Mason has much more to give
Than a kingdom so frail that it can not long live.

Let the field marshal boast of the men he can guide,
Of the infantry columns and heroes who ride;
But the White Leather Apron his standard outranks,
Since it waves from the East to the Death river's banks.

'Tis the shield of the orphan, the hostage of love:
'Tis the charter of Faith in the Grand Lodge above;
While the high and the low in its whiteness arrayed,
Of one blood and one kin by its magic are made.

Kingdoms fall to the earth; cities crumble to dust,
Men are but born to die; swords are made but to rust;
But the White Leather Apron through ages passed on,
Has survived with the Lodge of the holy St. John.

So a toast to the Lambskin, which levels, uplifts—
To the White Leather Apron, most priceless of gifts.
'Tis the Badge of the Mason more ancient by far
Than the Fleece of pure gold or the eagles of war.

Franklin W. Lee.

St. Paul, Minn.

Will Sisters Ransford and Metcalf, of "The Eastern Star" please take notice that we find many things "to commend" in that sprightly journal. The brothers take the "extract" if you do advertise it.

The National Masonic Accident Association of Des Moines, Iowa, wrote 4,032 new members in 1895; paid $32,047 in claims, and had in force Dec 31, $24,143,750 insurance. It heads a list of forty companies of like character, and deserves the patronage of the craft.

THE BEST MASONIC WORK.

To any young or old Mason who wants the *best* work on Masonry, and one which covers every subject to which he wishes to refer in that line, we commend Mackey's "Encyclopædia of Masonry." It is a library in itself. Price $6.00. Send orders to this office.

MARCH 1896, WANTED.

We find that the issue of March, 1896, of this magazine, has been entirely exhausted, and as we have calls for them we offer an extension of THREE MONTHS on the subscription of any subscriber who will send us a copy. If a cash price is preferred, please write us at once stating the amount.

JOHN WESTLEY GEIGER, Editor.

A FINE POINT.

The *Trestle Board* gives the information among other items, that the San Francisco Board of Relief has, in the last fifteen years expended $1,748.30 in affording assistance to members of the jurisdiction of Iowa, and asserts, "But for Ahishar, 'there is no mercy,' and Grand Lodges like Indiana, Iowa and Kentucky will be slow to show pecuniary charity to the long overburdened Grand Jurisdiction of the Pacific Coast." We have no disposition to treat the assumptions of our contemporary lightly, but we do think the reflection is unfair, in so far as Iowa is concerned, and that the mode of proceedure by which this balance against Iowa has grown to its present amount should have been long since seen too, and if after the lodge to which each brother belonged had been unable to pay, and had indorsed the claim as to the identity and worthiness of the claimant and had petitioned the Grand Lodge for aid in the discharge of the obligation, then and not before, we believe, the Grand Lodge of Iowa should be asked to take responsibility. We see no lawful demand upon Grand Lodges unless some means be placed at their disposal for such cases.

SWINGING AROUND.

Having made the various phases of Masonic life a systematic study, we have more carefully observed the various phenomena within and around it. Our meditations have been unprejudicial by what friends in their enthusiasm or our enemies in their hate have said, for the institution must (and will) stand or fall as its principles are enduring. Looking over the ground covered by the last decade we observe the growing *infrequency* of drastic writings on Masonry in the broader minded religious press. Many of them have been our enemies, avowed and bitter, because they deemed the Lodge the enemy of the church's interests, an interloper, feeding upon its constituency. Hard names were most common and the uncomplimentary epithets were effective in stirring up the feelings of the very men whom the churches had most to depend on for their support. At last the winds have changed and they are swinging around to start on the other tack. Now, "the teachings of this society of men is the highest type of morality." Now, Masonry is a "high toned moral order" and its members accredited with "dominant moral influence." We are pleased, surprised, and suspicious. What does it portend? Conversion? Then let such bring forth fruits meet for repentance! Is it influence? Then let the saintliest among them quickly discover that the Fraternity does not "instruct" its votaries to buy, sell or vote for its members to the exclusion of those not so fortunate to have entered the middle chamber. Yes, we are afraid of the

popular revival sort of "coming around," and while it is pleasant to contemplate the change, the chances are that suitable proficiency in apprenticeship will be required before the points of our compasses will be fully exposed or our people be susceptible to flattery from a voice that once hissed anathemas against all the craft, which now comes with honeyed words of our "high moral character."

THE EASTERN STAR.

GRAND BODIES MEET:
Iowa Grand Chapter, Clinton, Oct. 28, 1896.

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THE EASTERN STAR DEGREES,

ANDROGYNOUS MASONRY.

The five Androgynous degrees, combined under the above title, are supposed to have been introduced into this country by the French officers who assisted our government during the struggle for liberty. The titles, Jepha's Daughter, Ruth, Esther, Martha and Electa sufficiently denote the histories comprehended in the degrees. We have but little experience on this continent, upon the general subject of Androgynous Masonry. The few so-called degrees common, especially in the southern portion of the United States, betray their juvenility and their American origin, too palpably to admit a high estimate of their value. Of these the "Heroine of Jericho" seems to be the most ancient; (it is ascribed by the Freemasons' Monthly Magazine to Mr. David Vinton, of Rhode Island,) after that, following in the order named: "The Ark and Dove," "The Mason's Daughter;" "The Good Samaritan;" "The Maids of Jerusalem," and others still more modern. But none of these will satisfy an intellectual woman's desire for knowledge, or shed any light upon the past, or convince their recipients of any peculiar claim they may possess upon the good will of Masons. But if we may believe those who have examined "The five rays of the Eastern Star," there is beauty, there is knowledge in each. The following extracts from the published Ritual, translated into English, are in point: The Sisterhood of the Eastern Star is manifest to the world by its adorning virtues—five. Honor in bright loneliness is the sanctity and moral guarantee of all the obligations of the Eastern Star. This is read by the enlightened in the cabalistic motto of the order. Upon that foundation (honor) stand the following pillars: To be true; to be aiding; to be counseling; to be loving; to be secret; to be the servant of Jesus Christ. Sweet in its fragrance is the memory of the worthy dead. It comes up from the recollection of happy hours passed in their companionship; it comes down in faith's joyful anticipations of reunion in the presence of the Savior. The members of the Eastern Star will follow to the grave's brink the forms of those who have preceded them to a world of glory." The whole Ritual seems to be prepared in wisdom and beauty, and if we may believe what the enthusiastic Masons of Europe say concerning it, the advantage of strength was not wanting in its organization.—*Mystic Tie.*

THE EASTERN STAR.

I. Grand bodies meet and list of grand officers, see p. 133, July number.

II. Field notes.

We had the pleasure of a short visit with the Grand Matron, Mrs. Jennie Rule, on Sept. 9th. She informs us that she is to push things up to the last day before the meeting of the Grand Chapter. Several new chapters are in process of formation, in various parts of the state, and the year will close with a healthy increase.

The chapter at Manchester is on the move.

The Twins, Marion and Cedar are working at every meeting, and will show a fine years' growth.

The greatest result of the Grand Matron's visitation of the chapters has been to bring about a much more uniform system of work, and it should be kept up right along.

The ladies of Marion Chapter are talking of getting Cedar Chapter to render "Female Masonry." for the benefit of their treasury soon.

The good news reaches us that there are no surrendered charters thus far this year.

In return for the courtesy of free occupancy of the hall, Luverne Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, at Luverne, Minn., has paid for an organ for the Masonic lodge room.

The heirs of Gen. Albert Pike, famous in his day as a Mason, author and poet, have filed a claim in the United States Court of Claims for $200,000 against the Choctaw Nation. Gen. Pike was counsel for the Choctaws and Congress, through his efforts, it is alleged, allowed the Indians $2,858,-798.

Every lodge should have its committee on charity, and every town and city where there is more than one lodge or Masonic body should have its board of relief.

THE MYSTIC SHRINE.

TRIBAL GATHERINGS.

Imperial Council, Detroit, Mich, June 8 and 9, 1897.
El-Kahir, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, (Annual) second Wednesday in December, 1896.
Kaaba, Davenport, Iowa, (Annual), first Tuesday in December, 1896.

TO THE NOBILITY.

For two years we have striven to keep up this department in the hope that it might grow to be of value enough to warrant the enlargement of the Magazine so as to give some twenty pages of general Shrine news and some articles from the able contributors among our Nobles. Some have taken our effort kindly, some indifferently, some with sarcasm. Now, we come to you wherever you may be and ask you to help us. 1 By subscribing for it. 2 By showing it to your friends.

RECORDERS are on our exchange list and will receive your subscriptions.

Yours Faithfully,
JOHN WESTLEY GEIGER, Editor.

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3 George O. Tyler, Burlington, Vermont.
4 Charles T. McClenachan, New York.

THE CHARLES CITY MEETING.

By what strange oversight we failed to give the proper notice to this meeting we are at a loss to know, yet such is the fact, and until it was brought to our attention by Noble Sam Williams, we thought it had gone into the July issue. When it is remembered that the largest class ever initiated in a town of the size of that, was worked up by the energy of the nobles there, it is not surprising that they should resent our seeming carelessness. We wrote it up and complimented all concerned, from the local committee to the ladies of the O. E. S. for the blooming success it was, but where that copy is we don't know. There were 48 candidates, and a better preparation to do the work than at any other place at home or abroad. The boys were careful and judicious, patient and kind and no one regrets more than we the omission of those credit marks that are their just due.

NOT CORRECT.

"The laws of the order were so amended as to require a Noble, in order to retain his membership in the order, to keep up his standing in both commandery and Scottish Rite, if he belongs to both, or to either if he belongs to one only. He is not permitted to dimit from either. As soon as he does so it acts as a sentence upon his Shrine membership and cuts him off.—*Boston Ideas.*

We beg to differ with the above interpretation, for the law shows plainly that "a Noble *can dimit* from Commandery and Consistory and *still* hold membership in his Temple as long as he shall keep himself in good standing in both bodies, under the laws of the jurisdiction in which they exist while carrying a dimit."—*C. & L. page 18.*

The disabilities referred to in the "Ideas" do follow *suspension* for any cause, but demission from a Masonic body does not and ought not have the same effect.

DR. KELVINGTON.

Many of the representatives to the Imperial Council at Cleveland and all Nobles who have visited Zurah Temple will learn with great regret of the somewhat serious illness of the Illustrious Director of Zurah, Dr. L. S. Kelvington. We are glad to hear that there are hopes of his early recovery.

The Arabs have a superstition that the stork has a human heart. When one of these birds builds its nest on a housetop, they believe the happiness of that household is insured for a year.

ZURAH.

One finds himself early at home in Zurah when her gentlemanly officers observe every courtesy and show such genuine hospitality as was displayed on September 3d. It was a great occasion, for the Imperial Potentate Noble Harrison Dingman, the Imperial High Priest and Prophet W. H. S. Wright and other dignitaries were present as guests of the evening.

Some thirty sons of the desert were there and *took it all* in.

The first section was elaborately interspersed with vocal selections by a boy choir, the Masonic Male Quartette and the O. E. S. Ladies' Quartette all of whom were cultured singers. The rendition of the Ritual was fine and the evolutions well up to the occasion.

It was noticed upon every hand that the Illustrious Director Dr. S. S. Kelvington, whose energy and taste has much to do with Zurah's success, was absent and quite seriously ill. We hope to hear of his complete recovery ere long.

The great ball room of the Masonic Temple was resplendent with light and colors. We heard nothing but words of praise for the Temple, and the occasion. Light refreshments followed the work.

AMONG THE TEMPLES.

El Kahir is making preparations to cross the desert soon after the election is over if not before. Kaaba, Davenport, is booked for Oskaloosa, on its third trip to this town, on Sept. 17, 1896. That they will have a good time goes without saying. Tangier, Omaha, is in a flourishing condition and is likely to go to Mecca at an early date. Mecca, N. Y., has all the latest improvements. We are in receipt of their notice to the Mecca Wheelman, and also an announcement of a game of base ball with Kismet, of Brooklyn, casualties not yet reported by the Recorder. Lu Lu Temple Band, Philadelphia, celebrates its fifth anniversary on Sept. 19, at Washington Park, with flag raising, band concert, bicycle and running races, dancing, fire works, etc., etc. Thanks, for tickets received. The Temple also held a meeting for ceremony on Sept. 2. Aleppo, Boston, went on a trip to Weirs, N. H., on Sept. 5-7, and from the terms used by Ben, we opine that it was a great trip. Kora, Lewiston, Me., took advantage of the State fair week Sept. 3, to warm up their camels and work a class of candidates. Ziyara, Utica, N. Y. followed the Grand Commandery conclave with a session Sept. 9th, at which we think the Imperial Potentate was present. Many of the Recorders have sent out their notices of the Imperial Certificate and have doubtless heard how popular the 50 cent feature is. Rajah, Temple, of Reading, Pa., is out with announcements for meetings on Sept. 9, and Oct. 14. Potentate J. Ridgway Wright, of Irem, Wilkesbarre, is booked for the work on the first date.

Noble Albert L. Rawson of Woodcliff, N. J., one of the founders of the Mystic Shrine, has almost ready for the press a "History of Mysticism, including the Mystic Shrine." Judging from some hints concerning its scope and aim we imagine it will have a great sale and create a great stir.

PERSECUTIONS IN PERSIA.

Jesse Malck Yonan, the eloquent young Nestorian medical missionary, recently addressed large church audiences in the Western States on the American and Nestorian persecutions. Speaking at Wooster, O., Mr. Yonan said that at one time the war of the Moslems against the Christians in Persia had been so fierce that seventy Nestorian bishops were beheaded in a single day for refusing to accept Islam. Mr. Yonan's father was one of the first pupils who studied under the American missionaries in Persia.

Square and Compass, Denver, does us the honor to publish our notes on the Imperial Council. Thanks, but it would look as though we had interpolated that added paragraph, (which we did not) which though we may approve or we may not, we never thought of writing: "Its a drop of 'Mountain Dew.'"

FRAUD WARNING.

JOHN W. GEIGER, MARION, IA.,

Dear Sir and Brother: A Masonic Imposter is abroad calling himself Edwin Haines, of James W. Austin Lodge No. 557, Greenville, N. Y. I assisted him a few days ago to go to Moline, Ill., to look for work, and gave him some money for his purse, but upon writing to Greenville received an answer that Edwin Haines, a member of their lodge *is dead,* and this man is probably Abram Haines, who personifies said Edwin. Pass the word—He will likely get into Iowa.

Yours fraternally,

G. W. JOHNSON.

As Freemasonry was a powerful though silent element in restoring friendly relations between England and the United States after the Revolutionary War, so it was in restoring and recementing the ties between the sections after the Civil rebellion. Its work is almost imperceptible, but irresistible.—*Texas Freemason.*

EL-KAHIR TEMPLE.

As this Journal now reaches every Recorder in America each month, and goes into the hands of a large number of Nobles regularly, we have decided to use this column for such official announcements as may be deemed necessary from time to time.

JNO. W. GEIGER, Recorder.

MISSING NOBLES.

Somewhere amid the sandy wastes of the desert, the following members of El-Kahir have been lost. Recorders of Temples will confer a favor if they will notify us whenever one turns up among his flock.

The names of Nobles are placed on this list when mail addressed from this office is returned as uncalled for or undelivered. This is not a posting list of delinquents, but a request for information about missing Nobles of this Temple. Our own Nobles can aid us by giving information about either of the following:

NAMES.	LAST POST-OFFICE.
Herbert L. Sill,	Chicago, Ill.
Geo. J. Miller,	Ft. Scott, Kan.
Chas. Gates, Jr.,	Charles City, Ia.
J. H. Murray,	Cedar Rapids, Ia.
A. F. Graham,	Mason City, Iowa.
Edw. N. Pickering,	Boston, Mass.
Rollin E. Smith,	Spokane, Wash.
Guy H. Strong,	Duluth, Minn.
H. T. Lauderbach,	St. Charles, La.

ABOUT MISSING NOBLES.

Numerous responses have come to our inquiries about Missing Nobles, but letters still continue to be "returned to writer" for all whose names are "on the list this month." Some are and others "are not" in good standing. Recorders will do well to demand the passports of visitors.

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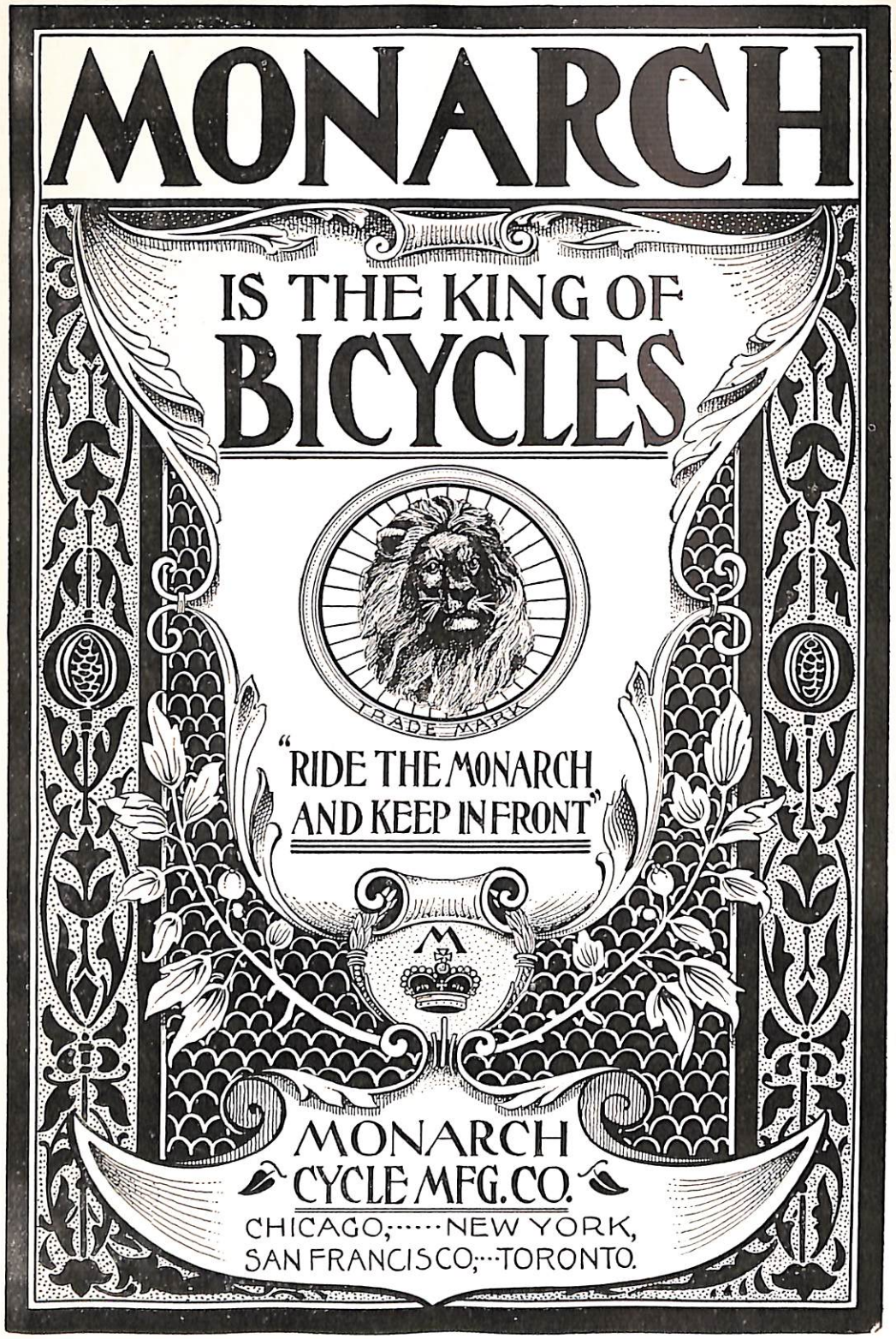

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CATALOGUE.

1. The Illustrated History of Freemasonry, 723 pages, large 8 vo. cloth, leather back, by Moses W. Redding, 1892.

PROCEEDINGS.

GRAND LODGES.

1. a. Iowa—1856, '69 (3); '70, '72, '73, '75, '79, '84, '86 (2); '87, '88 (2); '89 (4); '90 (3); '91 (3); '92 (2); '93, '94 (2); '95, '96. b. vol. 1, (bound) vol. IV unbound.

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All of the above are reprints, and in good condition.

ANNALS OF GRAND LODGE OF IOWA.

REPRINT.

3. Vol. I (5); vol. II (2); vol. III (1); vol. V (1).

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4. Vol. III (1); vol. IV (7); vol. V (7); vol. VI (8); vol. VII (5); vol. VIII (2); vol. IX (4); vol. X (4); vol. XI (3).

EXTRA ANNALS—"SEPARATE."

5. 1848 (2); '49 (2); '50 (1) '52(1); '53 (1); '54 (3); '55 (4); '56 (7); '57 (7); '59 (1); '60 (4); '66 (1); '67 (6); '68 (11; '69 (8); '70 (4); '71 (3); '72 (5;) '73 (3); '74 (2); '75 [3]; '76 [2]; '77 [1]; '79 [4]; '80 [1]; '82 [2]; '83 [5]; '84 [4]; '85 [6]; '86 [1]; '88 [3]; '89 [1]; '90 [4]; '91 [2]; '92 [1]; '93 [2].

6. Colorado—1890, '91, '92, '93, '94 [2]; '95.
7. Deleware—1892.
8. Georgia—'93, '94 '95.
9. Illinois—'93, '94 [2]; '95.
10. Indiana—1852.
11. Kansas—'84, '94, '95, '96.
12. La.—'92, '94, '95, '96.
13. Mo.—'84, '95.
14. Minn.—1878.
15. Nevada—1895.
16. New York—1895.
17. Neb.—'77, '82, [2]; '83, '93, '94, '95.
18. Pa.—'92, '95.
19. South Carolina—'95.

GRAND CHAPTERS.

1. Iowa—1868, '69, '72 [2]; '73 [2]; '74 [2]; '75 [2]; '76 [2]; '77 [4]; '78 [3]; '80 [2]; '81 [2]; '82, '83 [2]; '85 [2]: '86 [3]; '87 [2]; '88 [3]; '89 [4]; '90 [3]; '91 [3]; '92 [2]; '93 [3]; '94, '95.
2. Georgia—1894, '95, '96.
3. Louisiana—1894, '95, '96.
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6. New York—1798 to 1867, 2 vols. red cloth, pp. 681 and 707. Must bring $5 or over.

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GRAND COUNCIL.

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All of the lot above are from the organization of the several bodies to the latest date named.

GRAND COMMANDERIES.

1. Iowa—1882, '83, '84, '85, '87 (2); '88 (2), '89, '90 (2); '91 (5); '92 (4); '93 (5) '94, '95 (2).
2. Vol. I, cloth, 1864, '71 [conditional on bid for $3.20 or over].
3. Vol. V, cloth, 1887,—'90.

MASONIC PERIODICALS.

1. THE MASONIC REVIEW, Cincinnati, O. Began 1845 vols. I, ex. 5, 6; II, ex. 1, 3, 4; III to VI comp.; VII, ex. 4; VIII, IX, X, ex. 2; XI to XIV; XV, ex. 6; XVI, ex. 4, 5. 6; LXXX to LXXXIV. These numbers cover some of the rarest of this old magazine's issues. Of vol. XII, we have odd numbers 1 and 2. Volumes complete cannot be broken; others will be sold as desired.

2. Iowa Freemason and Knight Templar, vol. 1 and 2, complete, bound in plain cloth (2); vol. 1 and 2, complete, unbound (1); vol. 1 and 2, ex. 8 of 2 (5), uncounted numbers, except vol. I, No. 1, and vol. II, No. 8.

3. The Freemason and The Fez, vol. 3, complete, vol. 4 to date unbound.

4. Freemasons Monthly Magazine, by Charles Moore, Boston, Mass. vols. 1 and 2, bound in one volume, sheep, (1841-43). Must bring $8, or over, worth $20.

5. The Western Freemason, vols. I, II and III, 1857 to 1860, nicely bound in three volumes, rare. Must bring $10.

6. The Voice of Masonry, Chicago, in numbers, vols. 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, and 11 numbers of volume 25, and 4 of 26.

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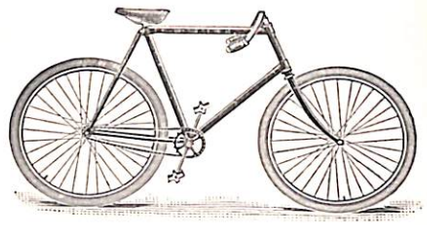

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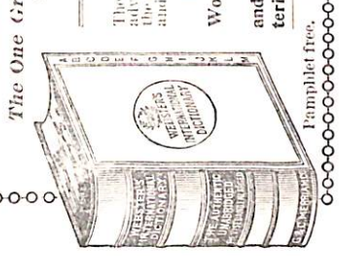

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